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SUBJECT: MONTHLY PRISON VISITS - A POLICY FOR POLAND

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1. AFTER REVIEWING OUR PRISON VISITATION POLICY WITH THE PRINCIPAL OFFICERS AT KRAKOW AND POZNAN, WE BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD STILL TRY TO VISIT ALL AMERICANS IMPRISONED IN POLAND ONCE A MONTH AND, IF FUTURE EVENTS SHOULD EVER WARRANT IT, AT EVEN MORE FREQUENT INTERVALS. WE SAY THIS IN SPITE OF OUR EXPERIENCE OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS WITH THE POLISH AUTHORITIES LEANING OVER BACKWARDS TO MAKE SPECIAL CONCESSIONS IN THEIR TREATMENT OF AMERICANS IMPRISONED HERE.

2. THERE IS JUST ONE AMERICAN IMPRISONED IN POLAND AT PRESENT. HE IS IMPRISONED IN STRZELCE OPOLSKIE IN THE KRAKOW DISTRICT. OUR CONSUL IN KRAKOW REPORTS THAT THIS AMERICAN HAS RECEIVED SPECIAL CONSIDERATION IN A NUMBER OF WAYS, I.E. SPECIAL DIET, AND GIFT PACKAGES FROM OUTSIDE. OUR IMPRESSION, BASED ON THE EXPERIENCE OF THIS PRISONER, IS THAT THE  
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POLISH AUTHORITIES WILL DO ANYTHING REASONABLE TO PERSUADE FOREIGNERS THAT THIS COUNTRY HAS CIVILIZED CONDITIONS OF PENAL SERVITUDE.

3. THE ONLY CHANGE WE WOULD MAKE IN OUR PRISON VISITATION POLICY IS TO RESERVE THE OPTION NOT TO HAVE THOSE VISITS OCCUR AT PRECISE ONE-MONTH INTER-

VALS SHOULD THE PRESS OF BUSINESS AND OUR PERSONNEL  
RESOURCES MAKE THIS NECESSARY.

4. THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE IN SEEKING THE EARLIEST  
POSSIBLE INITIAL VISITS TO AMERICANS IMPRISONED IN  
POLAND.  
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